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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am a network engineer for a major tech company in Silicon Valley. I deal with ordering circuits from major or tier-1 providers. However, I prefer local ISP for my personal home use because:

- 1). Local service providers provide way superior services than other teir-1 providers like AT&T or Comcast (Xfinity). For local service providers, the number of customers share the same backbone network is way lower than tier-1 providers. Therefore, the chance for residential customer experience network (Internet) congestion is way lower.
- 2). Local service providers increases competitions for local markets. That helps to drive the costs down for residential customers. For example, my home has fiber Internet service from Sonic with symmetrical 1Gbps bandwidth. If I get the same level of service from the tier-1 provider, my monthly service fee will be 10 times more than I am paying Sonic now.
- 3). The tier-1 providers build their networks with the business customers in mind. Resources allocated to residential customer is sub-optimal. When a major network outage happens, these teir-1 providers will not prioritize to restore services for residential customers.

So, I sincerely urge you to STOP the deregulation that will eliminate the local Internet service providers

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